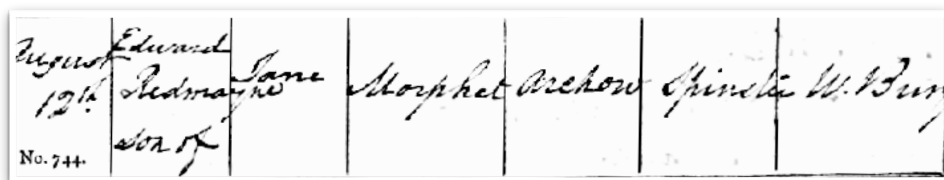


Eddie Redmayne Morphet & his wife, survivors

Through the 18th and 19th centuries numerous Redmayne and Morphet families resided in the Arncliffe and Horton-in-Ribblesdale areas. Most were farmers and had a relatively comfortable lifestyle, several with links to the Studfold estate in Horton-in-Ribblesdale.

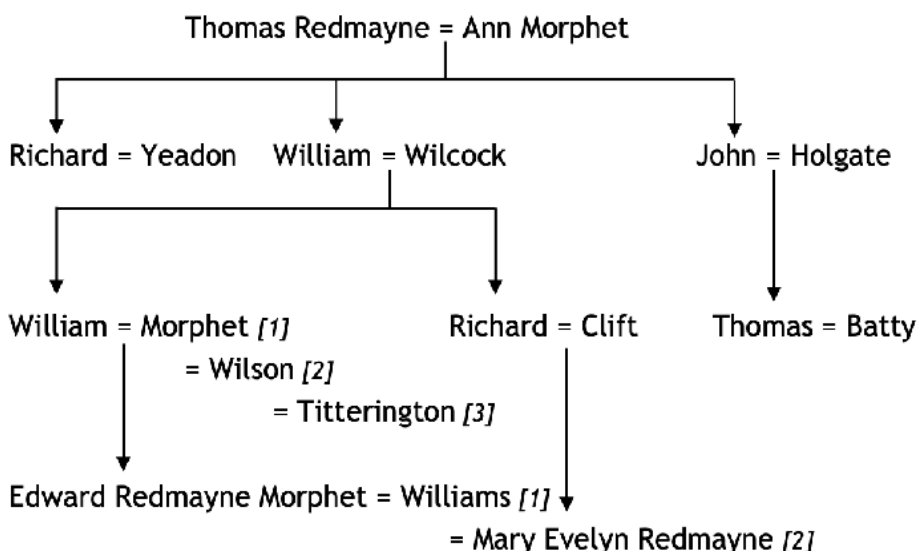
Thomas Redmayne and his wife **Ann Morphet** had six children who became ancestors of several families in Settle. Thomas and Ann had long lives, living into their seventies and are buried in Horton-in-Ribblesdale graveyard. Their son **William Redmayne**, born in 1811 [ph1] married **Ellen Wilcock**. They farmed at Borrins and had 11 children, including a pair of twins. Two children were named Richard and two were named Martha after the first ones died in childhood. Their eldest son, another **William Redmayne**, and one of the twins, got very friendly with his third cousin, **Jane Morphet** [ph1], so much so that they had a son, called **Edward Redmayne Morphet**. He was born on 15 April 1860 and baptised a few months later on 12 August that year.



In between those dates, on 30 June 1860 William and Jane had married but the law is the law and Edward was illegitimate at birth and had to be baptised as such. He retained the name 'Redmayne Morphet' throughout his life. Jane soon became pregnant again with another son, **Charley Redmayne**, baptised in October 1861. Sadly, Jane died on 1 December 1862.

By the time of the next census William had moved to Liverpool, working as a cab driver (the horse and cart variety) with son Charley and a 'wife' **Alice Wilson**, although they don't appear to have married. Upon Alice's death in 1888 they had returned to farming at Borrins, perhaps due to

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William's father's death. In 1890 William married his third wife, **Ellen Titterington**, 35 years his junior and had another three children. In the meantime, son Charley married the first of two wives and immediately set off for Queensland, Australia where he had a large family.

So, what happened to William and Jane's first son Edward Redmayne Morphet? Like many children whose mothers had died, Edward was brought up by his grandfather, **Jonathan Morphet**, but Jonathan died when Edward was just 16. Edward was left to his own devices and he didn't fail to make a success of his life! Just before his 19th birthday Edward was employed as a railway porter in Earby on a salary of 14 shillings. His records tell us he was 5 foot 6 inches tall. Two years later he was transferred to Hellifield station. In January 1882 Edward, nearly 21, married **Sarah Ann Williams** who was from Gwinear, near Redruth, in Cornwall. Sarah Ann and her sister **Christian Jane Williams** were illegitimate daughters of **Mary Anne Williams**, the daughter of a copper miner. They were also brought up by their grandparents but moved to Settle when the grandparents died — Sarah Ann was just 13. The girls were a few of the many young women encouraged to come to Settle to work in the mills during the 1860s as Hector Christie re-opened and expanded the Langcliffe Mills. Many Settle workers had moved to the larger mills in Lancashire so Hector Christie had to recruit from further afield. As the Cornish tin mines became unproductive and East Anglian farming became more mechanised Hector recruited many surplus workers from there. Despite this harsh start to life, Sarah Ann was another survivor. By her 20s Sarah Ann worked in domestic service for **George Ambler**, a very successful ironmonger, in Duke Street. It's possible that Edward also had links with the Amblers, as, after their marriage, Edward worked as an ironmonger. George Ambler retired during the 1880s so Edward could have been in the perfect position to take over his business. Edward didn't start too well — in 1884 he was ordered to pay 5 shillings plus costs because his scales were inaccurate. His error resulted in more generous measures for his customers so the penalty seems rather harsh! [1]

AN UNJUST BALANCE.—At the Petty Sessions, on Tuesday, before J. Birkbeck, Esq. (chairman), Rev. H. J. Swale and C. Ingleby, Esq., Edward Redmayne Morphet, ironmonger, was ordered to pay 5s. and costs for having on the 19th ult. had in his possession a spring balance which was unjust as against himself.

For a while Edward worked in partnership with stonemason **John Hardy** installing hot air ovens which had extra flues to improve efficiency. However after a few years they went

E. Redmayne Morphet,
General and Furnishing Ironmonger,
DUKE STREET, SETTLE,
Begg to thank the inhabitants of Settle and District for their kind support during the past year, and wishes to call attention to his stock of
GENERAL IRONMONGERY
CUTLERY,
Including Table, Dessert, Pen and Pocket Knives, Carvers, Scissors and Razors
FENDERS AND FIRE IRONS
In Brass and Steel
Coal Wases, Register & Slow Combustion Stoves,
HOT AIR OVENS
On improved principle, and Ranges procured on the shortest notice.
Washing, Wringing and Wringing Machines,
Chaff Cutters and Oilcake Breakers. Lamps and Lanterns of all descriptions, including the DeLia's Safety Lamp, Lighthouse Lamp, Eclipse, Duplex and Reading Lamps. Roofing Felt, Corrugated Galvanized Iron.
NEW ROLLERS FOR WRINGING MACHINES.
E. R. M. begs to inform the public that he has taken the **TINNING BUSINESS** formerly carried on by the late Mr. T. Horner, Town Hall, Settle, and that by attention to all orders hopes to receive a share of public patronage. Any new goods required, not in stock, can be made as early as possible.
REPAIRS QUICKLY AND NEATLY EXECUTED.
E. REDMAYNE MORPHET,
General Ironmonger and Tin Plate Worker,
Duke Street & Town Hall, Settle.



their separate ways. Edward ran his business from Duke Street (at the corner of Chapel Street). After George Ambler's death in 1891 an indenture conveyed the Duke Street buildings to Edward. The observant reader will notice that he also worked from the Town Hall [LSA] in a perfect position for photos of the Queen's Jubilee Trades procession in 1887 [ph2].

Meanwhile Sarah Ann ran a second hand clothing business from Chapel Street and their home at Halsteads [2]. Edward and Sarah Ann didn't have children and so had sufficient funds to employ a servant. To occupy himself Edward volunteered and became the Superintendent and Honorary Secretary of the Settle Ambulance and Nursing Division and, in 1913 was presented with a photo of members who attended the Royal Review at Windsor that year — he was probably one of them! **Mary Ann (Close) Procter** was the Lady Superintendent at that time.

Mrs. REDMAYNE MORPHET
LEFT-OFF CLOTHING STORES, CHAPEL STREET, SETTLE
ALL Kinds of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Left-off Clothing in Stock, Winter Costumes, Jackets, Odd Shirts, etc. Overcoats, Men's Suits, Coats and Vests, Trowsers, Knickerbockers, and many other useful Articles of Clothing.
A Call will be Greatly Esteemed.
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CHAPEL STREET, HALSTEADS, SETTLE.

22. The members of the Settle Ambulance and Nursing Divisions presented Superintendent E. R. Morphet with a large framed Photograph of the Members who attended the Royal Review at Windsor on June 22nd.

Sarah Ann died in 1918, aged 61 and was buried in the unmarked grave *Old HX35*. A year later Edward married **Mary Evelyn Redmayne** — yes, Mary Evelyn was a cousin, the daughter of William's youngest brother **Richard Redmayne** who had moved to South Shields to work as a schoolmaster, but later became a fish and game dealer. For some reason, during the 1920s Edward [ph1] and Mary Evelyn (and her very aged mum) moved to Portreath, Cornwall just ten miles from first wife Sarah Ann's birthplace. Edward died there in 1933, aged 73 and Mary Evelyn died in 1966, aged 84.



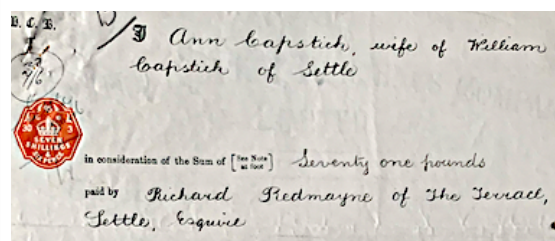
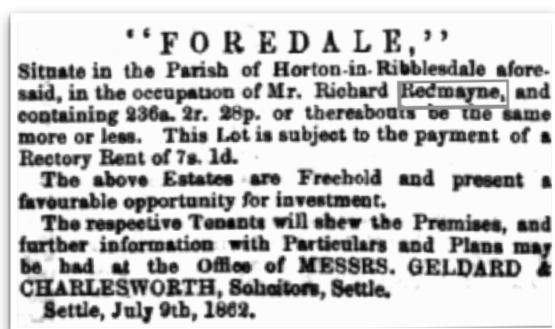
In contrast to William Redmayne and his three wives, his brother **Richard Redmayne** worked for his unmarried uncle **John Morphet** at the 300 acre Foredale farm, near Helwith Bridge. When Uncle John eventually died, aged 90, Richard inherited the farm. Lucky Richard! A year before John Morphet's death, Richard, aged 50 decided to marry. His 44 year old wife was **Jane Yeadon** the daughter of **James Yeadon**, [ph3] a farmer at Wharfe. This undated photo, from the Horner studios shows James as an elderly man — he was still at his farm at the age of 91 but spent his last years with Richard and Jane in Settle. He was 95 when he died and left his estate to Jane and Richard! Three years after marrying, in 1862, Richard



James Yeadon, photograph by the Horner Studio.
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and Jane sold up. The property came with 236 acres of land [1]. Richard and Jane took their substantial assets to live at The Terrace in Settle in the good company of some of the other wealthier folk of Settle. In 1895 Richard invested in the Settle Market Buildings Company, who had built the second floor of the Shambles, buying ten shares of £10 from **Ann (Carter) Capstick**, the widow of blacksmith **William Capstick** [ph1].



Richard and Jane both had long lives, dying in their 90s. The papers celebrated Richard as *'the oldest inhabitant of Settle'* [3]. They have a very well preserved stone reflecting Richard's estate, worth the equivalent of over £1million today. Thanks Uncle John and Mr Yeadon!

Mr Richard Redmayne, the oldest inhabitant of Settle, passed away at his residence, The Terrace, Settle, yesterday. He was in his ninety-third year.

In Loving Memory of Richard Redmayne, The Terrace, Settle Died June 21st 1901, aged 92 years. And of Jane Redmayne his widow died November 10th 1905 aged 90 years, Old E34



Meanwhile, William and Richard's brother **John Redmayne** worked as a butcher in Clayton-le-Moors near Blackburn. Before he left for Lancashire John married **Ellen Holgate**. Their son **Thomas Redmayne** settled in Settle, catching the eye of **Isabella Batty** whose brother **Robert Batty** ran the Crown Vaults in Settle (the building between Boots and the Naked Man today). Thomas worked as a labourer while Isabella had 13, yes 13 children. Isabella died soon after the birth of the last child, **William Redmayne**, when she was 43. She must have been exhausted. They lived in Proctor's Row.

In loving memory of Thomas Redmayne of Procter's Row died May 4th 1891 aged 52 years. Also Isabella his wife died Sept 25th 1886 aged 43 years. Also of Sarah Ann aged 13 years. Isabella and Richard aged 1 year. Isabel aged 5 years (children of the above), Old A16



Daughter **Sarah Ann** died, aged 13, and is buried in the Ancient graveyard but commemorated on this stone. **Isabella** and **Richard** died in infancy in 1868 and 1876 but have no burial record. It's possible they were buried with another grown up who died at the same time and so didn't have a separate burial for the records. They are commemorated on their parents' stone. Carrying on a family tradition Thomas and Isabella named their next son **Richard** and a later daughter **Isabella**. They also had another daughter named **Isabel** who died in 1887, aged 5, six months after her mother. Isabel is buried in the adjacent grave Old AX17 but is commemorated on this stone.

Youngest son William was only six when his father died. The older siblings looked after the younger ones and moved to Accrington to find work in the mills. Sixth child Thomas was captain of the

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church bellringers in 1895 before they left Settle. He married his first cousin **Ellen Mary Redmayne** in Accrington.



This account has been compiled by Sarah Lister as part of the Settle Graveyard Project which has recorded gravestone inscriptions, updated church records and researched the lives of those buried. It has been written in good faith with no offence intended. If I have inadvertently included errors or breached any copyright I apologise and would welcome corrections.

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